33. This year also, a sum of Rs 98·48 lakhs has been provided in the budget under Capital expenditure not charged to Revenue for expenditure on capital schemes under the following heads:—

Non-productive works.

	Rs.
Water Supply Schemes	16·96 lakhs
Drainage Scheme	7·50 ,,
Miscellaneous	14·86 ,,
Total	39·32 ,,

Productive Schemes shown under Debt Heads.

	Rs.
Pallivasal Hydro-Electric Project	36·33 lakhs
Ceramic Factory	2·25 ,,
Commercial Transport	5·00 ,,
Other Schemes	3·70 ,,
Total	47·28 ,,
Loan to the Cochin Harbour authorities towards the 4th stage works and the cost of Dredger shown under Advances	11·88 lakhs
Grand Total	98·48 lakhs.

The provision relates mostly to schemes started in the current and preceding years, and now in progress. I furnish below brief details of the more important schemes provided in the estimates of the next year.

WATER WORKS AND DRAINAGE.

34. *The Willingdon Water Works, Trivandrum.*—The total of the sanctioned estimates for the first and second stages and supplemental works relating to the scheme amounts to Rs 58·56 lakhs. The expenditure to the end of the current year is expected to amount to Rs 58·27 lakhs against this estimate. The work of laying mains in the second stage area of the Water Supply to the Town has made good progress. Out of the 46 miles, pipes have been laid for 40 miles. The reconstruction and extension of the Water Works Office building is making good progress and it is hoped that the building

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will be ready for occupation early in 1113. The aggregate provision under this scheme in the budget for the next year amounts to Rs 1,18,700.

The question regarding the contribution to be recovered from the Municipal Council, Trivandrum, on account of the Willingdon Water Works, etc., was considered in consultation with the Municipality and the following arrangements have been ordered:—

(i) that for the years 1111 and 1112 the annual contribution to be paid by the Municipality be fixed at Rs 75,000.

(ii) that for the years 1113, 1114 and 1115, the annual contribution be fixed at Rs 82,500, Rs 90,000 and Rs 1 lakh respectively, and

(iii) that the position be reviewed in the middle of 1115 and the amount of contribution for 1116 onwards fixed.

These arrangements have been given effect to in the revised estimates of 1112 and the budget estimates for 1113.

35. *Water Supply Schemes to Mofussil Towns.*—Estimates amounting to Rs 16·85 lakhs, Rs 10·80 lakhs and Rs 3·03 lakhs were sanctioned for the Water Supply Schemes to the Municipal Towns of Nagercoil, Alleppey and Shencottah respectively. The three Municipal Councils have agreed to the following arrangements:—

The entire cost of the schemes till their inauguration shall in the first instance be met by Government, of which one-half shall be borne by the Councils, the other half being considered as a grant in favour of the Councils; the Councils' share of the cost of the schemes will be considered as a loan advanced by Government to the Councils for purposes of the Water Supply Schemes; the loan shall bear interest at $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. per annum and shall be repaid by the Councils in thirty five equal annual instalments and the schemes shall be worked by the Councils at their own cost from the date of inauguration of the Water Supply.

Contracts for the supply of pipes and specials have been arranged, and these materials are expected to begin to arrive in October next. The Land Revenue Department is engaged in land acquisition proceedings for the lands required for the three projects. As soon as the lands are acquired and handed over to the Water Works Department, the construction of the projects will be proceeded with vigorously.

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